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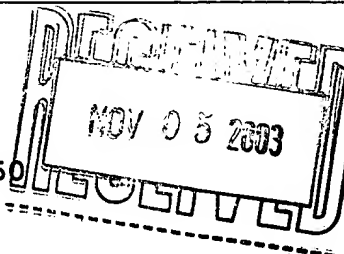Filed: September 14, 2001   Examiner:

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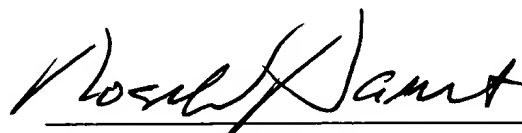
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